

REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to the payment of the Issue Fee.

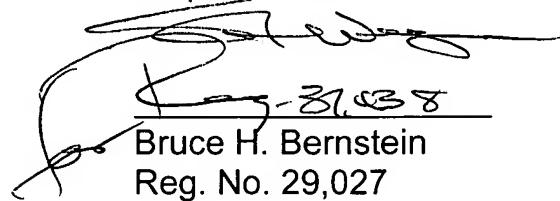
The allowed claims were presented for consideration in a Preliminary Amendment. Upon receipt of the Notice of Allowance, Applicant reviewed the claims in the application and noted several minor errors therein. Specifically, claim 38 is revised to correct a typographic error, so as to properly indicate that the MS signals designate a particular communication mode. Applicant submits that this typographic error is obvious from a reading of the application.

In addition, Applicant amends claims 38, 43, 44, 57, 62 and 63 to change reference to “an acknowledgment (ACK) signal” and “a negative acknowledge (NAK) signal” to the plural expression ---acknowledgment (ACK) signals--- and ---negative acknowledge (NAK) signals---, respectively, in order to be consistent with reference to plural Mode Request and Mode Select signals.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present amendment pursuant to M.P.E.P. §714.16, submitting that the amendments to the claims address formal matters without changing the scope thereof. Specifically, Applicant submits that the amendment is needed for proper protection of the invention, and the amendment requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office.

Should there be any question, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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